

[0042] In the illustrated example, the processor 402 of the mobile device 102 is structured to include the billboard segmenter 126. The processor 402 may be any suitable processing device or set of processing devices such as, but not limited to, a microprocessor, a microcontroller-based platform, an integrated circuit, one or more field programmable gate arrays (FPGAs), and/or one or more application-specific integrated circuits (ASICs).

[0043] The memory 404 may be volatile memory (e.g., RAM including non-volatile RAM, magnetic RAM, ferroelectric RAM, etc.), non-volatile memory (e.g., disk memory, FLASH memory, EPROMs, EEPROMs, memristor-based non-volatile solid-state memory, etc.), unalterable memory (e.g., EPROMs), read-only memory, and/or high-capacity storage devices (e.g., hard drives, solid state drives, etc.). In some examples, the memory 404 includes multiple kinds of memory, particularly volatile memory and non-volatile memory.

[0044] The memory 404 is computer readable media on which one or more sets of instructions, such as the software for operating the methods of the present disclosure, can be embedded. The instructions may embody one or more of the methods or logic as described herein. For example, the memory 404 includes computer readable memory on which instructions for the application for accessing digital keys are embedded. The instructions may reside completely, or at least partially, within any one or more of the memory 404, the computer readable medium, and/or within the processor 402 during execution of the instructions.

[0045] The terms “non-transitory computer-readable medium” and “computer-readable medium” include a single medium or multiple media, such as a centralized or distributed database, and/or associated caches and servers that store one or more sets of instructions. Further, the terms “non-transitory computer-readable medium” and “computer-readable medium” include any tangible medium that is capable of storing, encoding or carrying a set of instructions for execution by a processor or that cause a system to perform any one or more of the methods or operations disclosed herein. As used herein, the term “computer readable medium” is expressly defined to include any type of computer readable storage device and/or storage disk and to exclude propagating signals.

[0046] The GPS receiver 406 of the electronic components 400 identifies a location of the mobile device 102. For example, the GPS receiver 406 is utilized to track the location of the mobile device 102 as the mobile device 102 travels from one location to another location. In instances in which the mobile device 102 is located within the interior of the vehicle 100, the GPS receiver 406 may be utilized to track the location of the vehicle 100 as the vehicle 100 travels along a set of directions from one location to another location. Additionally, or alternatively, the GPS receiver 116 of the vehicle 100 may be utilized to track the location of the vehicle 100 as the vehicle 100 travels along the set of directions.

[0047] Further, the camera 408 of the vehicle 100 is utilized to collect, receive and/or otherwise obtain the image 200 of the advertisement 110 of the billboard 108 as the vehicle 100 approaches the billboard 108. The mobile device 102 is positioned by the user 104 within the interior of the vehicle 100 such that the camera 408 is able to obtain the image 200 of the advertisement 110. For example, the user 104 may couple the mobile device 102 to an interior surface

of a windshield of the vehicle 100 or may lie the mobile device 102 on a dash of the vehicle 100 to enable the camera 408 of the mobile device 102 to obtain the image 200 of the billboard 108.

[0048] The communication module 410 is communicatively coupled to a network (e.g., the Internet) that includes a database. For example, the database includes the segment entries associated with segments of billboard advertisements and events entries that correspond to the segment entries. The database of segment entries and corresponding event entries may be created and/or curated by an entity such as an advertising entity that operates billboards and/or other entities that utilize the billboards for advertising. The communication module 410 enables the billboard segmenter 126 to access the database to identify events associated with one or more of the segments 202, 204, 206, 208, 210, 212 of the image 200 of the advertisement 110 of the billboard 108. In some examples, the database is indexed by GPS location of billboards to facilitate identification of the segment entries and/or to avoid the inclusion of duplicative segment entries. In some examples, updates to the database may be instantly or automatically sent to the billboard segmenter 126 via the communication module 410 so that the billboard segmenter 126 is able to update the billboard interface 300. For example, a restaurant may remove a segment entry associated with a coupon for the restaurant when the restaurant is full, and the billboard segmenter 126 may subsequently automatically remove the segment associated with the coupon from the billboard interface 300. Further, in some examples, the communication module 410 also communicatively couples to the communication module 132 of the billboard 108 to enable the billboard processor 130 to select and/or personalize advertisements for the user 104 as the vehicle 100 approaches the billboard 108.

[0049] The communication module 412 of the mobile device 102 is to communicatively couple to the communication module 114 of the vehicle 100. In the illustrated example, the communication module 412 is a short-range wireless module that includes a wireless transducer to wirelessly communicate with the vehicle 100 and/or another device when that device is within a broadcast range of the communication module 412. The short-range wireless module includes hardware and firmware to establish a connection with the communication module 114 of the vehicle 100. In some examples, the short-range wireless module implements the Bluetooth and/or Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) protocols.

[0050] The display 414 presents an interface to provide information to the user 104 via the mobile device 102. For example, the display 414 may present the billboard interface 300 to the user 104. In some such examples, the display 414 is a touch screen that enables the user 104 to select one or more of the hyperlinks of the billboard interface 300.

[0051] FIG. 5 is a block diagram of electronic components 500 of the vehicle 100. As illustrated in FIG. 5, the electronic components 500 include an on-board computing platform 502, the infotainment head unit 112 that includes the display 120 and the speaker 122, the GPS receiver 116, sensors 504, electronic control units (ECUs) 506, and a vehicle data bus 508.

[0052] The on-board computing platform 502 includes a microcontroller unit, controller or processor 510 and memory 512. In some examples, the on-board computing platform 502 is structured to include billboard linker 128.